

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE MINUTES

MAY 18, 2023 AGENDA WORKSHOP

Members of the City Council met in a **workshop session** on **Thursday, May 18, 2023**, at 5 pm at the City Hall Annex. to review the proposed agenda for its next regular session. Council President Lisa Bright presided over the meeting and Dan Weinrib acted as recording secretary.

Those members present were as follows:	Councilor President Lisa Bright Councilor Jaime Anderson Councilor Ben Short Councilor Alan Taylor
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Others present in official capacity:	Mayor Buddy Choat City Clerk Dan Weinrib
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Those absent:	Councilor Perry H. Cook
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The City Council then determined the order of consideration for its upcoming agenda. Mayor Choat mentioned to the City Council the need to annex various properties that the City recently acquired from Guy Martin and the Beard heirs. Also, he reported that he, Police Chief Eric Rush and Lt. Chuck Bradford had a successful meeting with restaurant owners regarding the new Entertainment District ordinance. Also, City Engineer Wayne Sullivan mentioned that four city roads need striping. Also, Mayor learned from DeJarvis Leonard that ALDOT plans to re-bid the I-59 lane widening project either this fall or winter. Also, the City met with four contractors in a pre-bidding conference regarding the prospective fourth fire station. With no further business to discuss, the workshop adjourned at approximately 5:20 pm.

MAY 23, 2023 REGULAR SESSION

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in **regular session** on **Tuesday, May 23, 2023** at 6 pm at the City Hall Annex, with Council President Lisa Bright presiding over the meeting and City Clerk Dan Weinrib serving as recording secretary.

President Bright called the meeting to order. Councilor Anderson led the prayer. Councilor Short led the pledge.

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Others present in official capacity:	Mayor Buddy Choat City Clerk Dan Weinrib City Attorney Rick Stotser
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Those absent:	Councilor Perry H. Cook
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They reviewed minutes from the May 4th agenda workshop and May 9th regular session. Councilor Councilor Anderson moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion for approval, as submitted. **UNANIMOUS**

President Bright then introduced the regular agenda and consent agenda. Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda. **UNANIMOUS** Councilor Short moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion to approve the regular agenda. **UNANIMOUS**

During public comments, Veterans Committee member John Griscom (3492 Annette St.) informed the City Council and public that Friday May 26 is the annual National Poppy Day, in remembrance of soldiers who died in World War I. Councilor Anderson introduced retired Army Lt. Col. Jim Miller who is the newly appointed member of the City Veterans Committee.

Under the regular agenda, Councilor Anderson read aloud a City Certificate of Appreciation, honoring Tiwana Taylor, who is retiring from Peachtree Senior Living after 20 years. After a brief recess for group photos, President Bright resumed the meeting.

Upon recognition from President Bright, Alabama Fallen Warriors Memorial Project founder Mark Davis addressed the City Council. In his speech, he thanked Mayor Choat and City Council for their generous support of his idea, which culminates with the Project's dedication on Memorial Day. He also

gave credit and appreciation to Veterans Committee Chairman Chad Carroll and various contractors for their contributions and assistance. He presented six engraved concrete pavers as gifts, one for each elected official. In turn, Mayor Choat then the Council thanked him for his time and efforts. Councilor Anderson informed him and the public that already 80 Gold Star families have RSVP'd yes for the dedication. The City expects anywhere between 300 & 500 to attend the matinee dedication.

Councilor Short introduced a proposed annexation ordinance. He moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules and take the ordinance up for immediate consideration. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS** He then moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion to approve the ordinance annexing the undeveloped property located at 4680 Trussville Clay Road. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS Ordinance No. 2023-010-ANX**

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Councilor Taylor then introduced a proposed ordinance to renew the City's \$6 million line of credit with Synovus Bank. He moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules and take the ordinance up for immediate consideration. Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS** He then moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion to approve the ordinance. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS Ordinance No. 2023-012-ADM**

Councilor Taylor then introduced a proposed resolution to award the Police cargo van bid to Voyles Chrysler car dealership and void **Resolution No. 2023-27**. He moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion for approval. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-33**

Councilor Anderson then introduced a proposed resolution to surplus various Parks & Recreation assets. She moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion for approval. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-34**

Under Council reports, Councilor Anderson reported that the ACTA's new floors were installed. Also, the Library will soon launch its annual summer reading program. Also, the Beautification Board continues to accept nominations for various contest categories, through May 31st. Also, the Veterans Committee is preparing for the Fall Warriors Memorial dedication on Monday, May 29th.

Councilor Short summarized the recent signage and design approvals by the Design Review Committee on May 18. The audience's most favorable reaction came when he announced the intended return of Tamburro's Italian Home restaurant.

Councilor Taylor reported that the Utility Board had met the day before. Also, City finances remain healthy & strong. Also, the Chamber had over 270 attend its recent luncheon where Governor Ivey spoke. Its annual Taste of Trussville event at the Civic Center was once again successful. Also, Leadership Trussville is accepting applications for its second class.

President Bright announced that the IDA would meet this Thursday. *Since then, it was cancelled.* Also, Public Works remains busy preparing the Fallen Warrior Project area for the dedication and subsequent clean-up, in addition to its ongoing grass, potholes and other maintenance duties. Also, the BOE had its first public meeting with new superintendent Dr. Patrick Martin at the helm. Approximately 435 seniors will graduate from HTHS. The HTHS Lady Huskies won the 7A State Softball Championship, its third over the last four postseasons. New school board member Jason Daniel starts his term. He replaces Mark Sims.

Mayor Choat updated the public on the Loop Road Project. Various utilities are relocating their infrastructure. Jefferson County will turn over control of that section of North Chalkville Road to the City. Also, once the City completes its Commerce Lane property swaps soon, it will advertise bids on the road extension project, very likely sometime in June. Also, the City is working out temporary easement agreements with two property owners in connection with the Liles Lane culvert project. Also, the City met with four interested building contractors in a pre-bid meeting about the upcoming fourth fire station. Milam & Company is supposed to finish site prep work there by the end of July.

During audience comments, Richard Epstein (4742 Boulder Drive) told the City Council that there are loose tree limbs hanging over Pineview Road, off North Chalkville Road. He also reiterated the need for street lights and traffic light on Valley Road, as well as new road striping on Chalkville Road

With no further business on the agenda, President Bright adjourned the meeting at 6:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Weinrib'.

Dan Weinrib, CMC
City Clerk